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CMSP Letter 90-11

TO: All CMSP County Welfare Directors

SUBJECT: Proposition 99 Funds for CMSP
Eligibility Determinations.

Funding provided to the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) through the implementation of Proposition 99, The Tobacco Tax Initiative, expanded CMSP eligibility to include persons whose immigration status had not been determined by the Federal Immigration and Naturalization Service (e.g., undocumented aliens). A contract amendment to the CMSP contract for Fiscal Year 1989-90 increased the CMSP eligibility funding allocation to counties where such new eligibles were expected. Since the effective date of this expanded eligibility was January 1, 1990, impacted counties would receive additional funding for 6 months through a series of separate warrants to County Treasurers.

The arrival of the first of these warrants issued in May 1990 has caused some confusion. The warrants represented 5/6 (January-May) of the total additional CMSP eligibility funding due to the affected counties. The accompanying remittance advice labeled the funds as "Payment of Rural Health Services Program funds for eligibility cost pursuant to Section 16709 of the Welfare and Institutions Code...". While the payments were accurate and the remittance advices technically correct, they were misleading in that they did not mention Proposition 99. Your County Treasurer should handle these funds in the same manner as he/she handles regular CMSP eligibility funds.

Your county will soon receive the final 1/6 of these additional funds in a separate warrant. The remittance advices accompanying these warrants will read..."Payment of Proposition 99 funds for eligibility cost pursuant to Section 16709 of the Welfare and Institutions Code for June 1990". We regret any confusion caused by the remittance advice language accompanying the warrants.

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in issued May 1990. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Albert Cooper of the CMSP Unit at (916) 739-3141.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Martinez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "M".

Jim Martinez, Chief
County Medical Services Program

cc: County Treasurers
County Health Officers
Glenn Takeoka